

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**TOWN OF ATKINSON**



**RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURES, REPORTS,**  
**OF THE TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR**  
**ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1913.**

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**Amesbury Daily News Print**  
**1913**



# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN, TREASURER, TOWN CLERK, COLLECTOR OF TAXES, HIGHWAY AGENTS AND  
BOARD OF EDUCATION

OF THE

## Town of Atkinson

For the Year Ending February 15

1913

TOGETHER WITH

THE VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1912 AS  
PREPARED BY THE TOWN CLERK

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## TOWN WARRANT.

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### STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Atkinson, qualified to vote in Town Affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at Academy Hall, in said town, on the second Tuesday of March next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose by ballot and major vote a Town Clerk.

2. To choose by ballot and major vote three Selectmen.

3. To choose by ballot and major vote a Town Treasurer.

4. To choose by ballot and major vote a Tax Collector.

5. To choose by ballot and major vote two Library Trustees.

6. To choose all other necessary town officers.

7. To raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for repairing highways.

8. To see if the town will vote to raise the amount required to secure State aid for permanent road building.

9. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money above that required by law for the support of the Public Library.

10. To take further action on laying out the new cemetery, and make appropriation for the same.

11. To take action upon further special repairs on Providence Hill, and make appropriation for the same.

12. To see what action the town will take toward exterminating Gypsy and Browntail Moths and make appropriation for the same.

13. To see if the town will vote to exempt the Grange Hall property from taxation for a term of years.

14. To see if the town will vote to hire the Grange Hall for town purposes, and make price for rent of same.

15. To raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for all other town charges.

16. To transact any and all other business that may legally come before said meeting.

17. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, or committees, and pass any vote in relation thereto.

Given under our hands and seal this 22nd day of Feb., 1913.

JOHN H. SMITH,  
EUGENE E. SAWYER,  
GEORGE B. FREEMAN,

Selectmen of Atkinson.

### SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

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Valuation of resident real estate,	\$231,450 00
Valuation of non-resident real estate,	51,020 00
Number of horses, non-resident, 3,	350 00
Number of cows, non-resident, 3,	99 00
Number of neat stock, non-resident, 1,	20 00
Number of horses, resident, 136,	13,780 00
Number of mules, resident, 4,	500 00
Number of oxen, resident, 5,	450 00
Number of cows, resident, 357,	12,582 00
Number of neat stock, resident, 56,	1,240 00
Number of sheep, resident, 6,	66 00
Number of hogs, resident, 46,	500 00
Number of fowls, resident, 384,	304 00
Number of polls, 118,	11,800 00
Number of mills, 2,	1,375 00
Number of automobiles, 5,	3,200 00
Number of canning factories, 1,	1,000 00
Carriages,	1,300 00
Stock in trade, resident,	2,375 00
Stock in trade, non-resident,	2,816 00
Money at interest,	11,642 00
Power line,	5,000 00
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	\$352,869 00

On which the Selectmen have assessed the following:

State tax,	\$768 00
County tax,	718 19
Town charges,	500 00

Town poor, .	110 00
School tax by law,	720 00
School tax by vote,	780 00
School supplies,	100 00
School flags and appurtenances,	10 00
Tuitions in Academy,	480 00
Treasurer of school board, salary,	8 00
Repairs on school houses,	125 00
Public Library by law,	31 20
Public Library by vote,	80 43
Highways, including permanent road fund,	700 00
Highways, to secure State aid,	154 00
Special repairs on Providence Hill,	100 00
For laying out new cemetery,	250 00
For fire extinguishers,	66 00
Special repairs on permanent roads,	500 00
Overlay,	80 24
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	\$6,281 06

The Selectmen have given orders on the Treasurer as follows:

School board on account of schools,	\$1,500 00
School board on account of tuitions,	480 00
School board on account of supplies,	100 00
School board on account of repairs,	125 00
School board on account of flags, etc.,	10 00
School board, treasurer,	8 00
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	\$2,223 00

#### Public Library.

Mitchell & Co., as per bills,	\$58 08
George F. Webster, repairs,	80
Fred P. Wright, repairs,	2 41
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	\$61 29



**Town Aid.**

S. Arthur Steele, board,	\$108 94
Kimball, Hall and Loomis, funeral supplies as per bill,	58 00
George E. Wright, opening grave,	3 00
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	\$169 94

**State Fire Warden's Supplies.**

American LaFrance Fire Engine Co., six fire extinguishers and extra supplies,	\$39 30
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**William C. Todd Cemetery Fund.**

Abraham A. Dow, care of lots,	\$3 00
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**Sarah E. Knight Cemetery Fund.**

Abraham A. Dow, care of lot,	\$2 00
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**Caroline Upton Cemetery Fund.**

Abraham A. Dow, care of lot,	\$2 00
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**Mary M. Tolman Cemetery Fund.**

Abraham A. Dow, care of lot,	\$3 00
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**Bridges and Culverts.**

Calvin P. Stowell, surveyor,	\$0 58
Albert P. Cole, surveyor,	4 70
Walter B. Lang, surveyor,	47 16
Harold N. Cross, surveyor,	9 09
Taylor Goodwin Co., drain pipe,	22 84
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	\$84 37

**Highways.**

Calvin P. Stowell, District No. 1,	\$94 58
Joshua A. Richards, District No. 2,	111 90
Harold N. Cross, District No. 3,	16 04
Walter B. Lang, Districts Nos. 4-5,	174 29
Elmer E. Conley, Districts Nos. 6-7,	22 13
Albert P. Cole, District No. 8,	54 59
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	\$473 53

**New Bridge Work.**

John H. Smith, plank for Depot bridge,	\$8 76
John H. Smith, lumber for Albert Little dry bridge,	16 33
John H. Smith, lumber and labor for Damon bridge,	2 25
John H. Smith, labor on Hitchcock bridge,	50
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	\$27 84

**Repairs on Dirt Roads Per Order Selectmen.**

Walter A. Barnum, blasting stone,	\$4 50
John H. Smith, repairs on dirt roads,	2 75
Eugene E. Sawyer, repairs on district roads,	1 25
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	\$8 50

**Special Repairs on Providence Hill.**

John H. Smith,	\$7 87
Walter B. Lang,	13 04
Hermon E. Rollins,	11 49
George E. Gilbert,	10 71
Eugene E. Sawyer,	5 25
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	\$48 36

**Principal and Interest on Note, Etc.**

Verta A. Smith, principal in full on note,	\$500 00
Verta A. Smith, interest on note in full,	20 00
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	\$520 00

**State and County Tax.**

State tax,	\$768 00
County tax,	695 92
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	\$1,463 92

**Abatement of Taxes.**

Samuel B. Mason, watering trough for 1912,	\$3 00
Charles Lawrence, poll tax, 1911,	1 98
Isaac Cloutier, poll tax, over age,	1 78
Douglas Bridges, poll tax,	1 78
Perley C. Currier, poll tax,	1 78
Howard Williams, poll tax,	1 78
Samuel B. Mason, soldiers' exemption,	17 80
Abraham A. Dow, soldiers, exemption,	17 80
Ambrose D. Aldrich, soldiers' exemption,	17 35
Cyrus F. Noyes Est., watering trough for 1912,	3 00
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	\$68 05

**Brown Tail Moth Trimming.**

John Fernald, town for 1911,	\$105 00
George E. Gilbert, town for 1912,	125 00
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	\$230 00

**Board of Health.**

George B. Freeman, quarantine and fumi- gating,	\$2 80
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**Labor in Cemetery.**

Eugene E. Sawyer,	\$1 75
George B. Freeman,	1 55
John H. Smith,	1 32
Nathan Marsh,	3 31
Walter B. Lang,	2 81
George E. Gilbert,	3 37
Hermion E. Rollins,	2 59
Abraham A. Dow,	1 36
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	\$18 06

**Guide Boards.**

George B. Freeman, setting posts,	\$10 23
Taylor Goodwin Co., 25 posts,	15 00
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	\$25 23

**Miscellaneous.**

David W. Bridges, watchman at Senecal fire,	\$2 50
Edson C. Eastman, receipt book,	2 50
Amesbury Pub. Co., town reports, 1912,	31 50
Samuel B. Mason, labor and lumber on cemetery well,	3 75
Exeter News Letter, printing inventory slips,	2 00
Jay M. Goodrich, care of hall and supplies,	12 00
Jay M. Goodrich, services as moderator, 1912,	4 00
Albert P. Cole, ballot inspector, 1912,	4 00
Walter S. Noyes, ballot inspector at primaries, 1912,	2 00
Benn R. Heald, ballot inspector, November, 1912,	2 00
John H. Smith, postage and telephone as per bill,	7 86
George B. Freeman, meeting tax commission,	4 00

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John H. Smith, meeting tax commission,	8 00
Dr. E. A. Landman, reporting births and deaths,	50
Eugene E. Sawyer, rent of hall,	30 00
George A. Page, stationery, etc.,	3 25
John H. Smith, distributing brown tail moth notices,	2 34
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	\$122 20

## Recapitulation.

Amount in collector's warrant,	\$6,281 06
Received from State railroad tax,	124 60
Savings bank tax,	199 69
Insurance tax,	8 25
Literary fund,	65 28
Proportion of school fund,	526 00
Sale of apples,	3 01
Albert M. Truax for drain pipe,	7 92
Cemetery funds,	10 00
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	\$7,225 81

## Paid out as follows:

School board,	\$2,223 00
Kimball Public Library,	61 29
Town aid,	169 94
W. C. Todd cemetery lot,	3 00
Sarah E. Knight cemetery lot,	2 00
Caroline Upton cemetery lot,	2 00
Mary M. Tolman cemetery lot,	3 00
Bridges and culverts,	84 37
Highway, district roads,	473 53
New bridge work,	27 84
Dirt roads per order selectmen,	8 00

Special repairs on Providence Hill,	48 36
Notes paid in full,	520 00
Abatements, including soldiers' exemption,	68 05
Brown tail moth trimming for 1911-12,	105 00
Brown tail moth trimming for 1912-13,	125 00
Board of Health,	2 80
Cemetery improvements,	18 06
Guide boards, for posts and setting,	25 23
Fire Warden's supplies,	39 30
Town officers,	331 00
Miscellaneous,	122 20
State tax,	768 00
County tax,	695 92
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	\$5,926 89
Selectmen's balance,	1,298 92
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	\$7,225 81

JOHN H. SMITH,  
EUGENE E. SAWYER,  
GEORGE B. FREEMAN,

Selectmen of Atkinson.

## TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT.

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The Treasurer charges himself with:

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1912,	\$1,580 75
Received from the State:	
Insurance tax,	8 25
Railroad tax,	124 60
Savings bank tax,	199 69
Literary fund,	65 28
Proportion of school fund,	526 00
Town Clerk, dog licenses,	117 80
Collector of Taxes, 1912,	6,284 62
Interest on taxes, 1912,	16 39
Susan M. Clarke cemetery fund,	5 00
Pentucket bank, interest on W. C. Todd cemetery fund,	3 00
Pentucket bank, interest on Caroline Upton cemetery fund,	2 00
Haverhill Savings bank, inter- est on S. E. Knight ceme- tery fund,	2 00
Essex bank, Mary M. Tolman cemetery fund,	3 00
E. E. Sawyer, crushed stone,	5 00
George E. Gilbert, apples,	1 13
W. B. Lang, apples,	1 88
A. M. Truax, drain pipe,	7 92
Haverhill National bank, in terest,	99
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He credits himself as follows:

Paid Selectmen's orders,	\$5,926 89	
School treasurer, literary fund,	65 28	
Proportion of school fund,	526 00	
Balance of dog licenses, 1911,	111 60	
	<hr/>	\$6,629 77
Balance in hands of treasurer,		<hr/> \$2,325 53

### Financial Statement.

Cash in hands of treasurer,	\$2,325 53
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### Liabilities.

Balance due memorial committee,	\$12 51	
Cemetery appropriation,	23 79	
New cemetery appropriation,	250 00	
Highway department,	36 96	
Library trustees,	53 71	
Permanent road building,	856 95	
Repairs for permanent road,	500 00	
Providence Hill road,	51 64	
Fire extinguishers,	27 70	
	<hr/>	\$1,813 26
Balance in favor of the town,		<hr/> \$512 27

GEORGE A. PAGE, Town Treasurer.



### COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

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#### Dr.

Amount in selectmen's warrant,	\$6,281 06
Assessed later,	3 56
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	\$6,284 62
Interest collected,	16 39
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	\$6,301 01

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Receipts from treasurer,	\$6,301 01
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S. B. MASON, Collector.

Atkinson, Feb. 15, 1913.

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### AUDITORS' REPORT.

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Atkinson, Feb. 26, 1913.

The auditors have examined and audited the reports of the Board of Selectmen, Collector of Taxes, Town Treasurer and Trustees of the Public Library and find these reports to be correctly computed and properly vouched for.

GEORGE A. SAWYER,  
CHARLES I. PRESSEY,

Auditors.

# CATALOGUE OF BOOKS ADDED DURING THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1913.

## A.

A Maid of Old New York,	Amelia E. Barr
A Hoosier Chronicle,	Merideth Nickolson
A Cry in the Wilderness,	Mary E. Waller

## B.

By Love's Sweet Rule,	Gabrielle Jackson
Betty-bide-at-home,	Beulah M. Dix

## C.

Charge It,	Irving Bacheller
Christmas,	Zona Gale
Cap'n Warren's Wards,	Joseph C. Lincoln

## G.

Grayfriars Bobby,	Eleanor Atkinson
Good Indian,	B. M. Bower

## H.

Her Place in the World,	Amanda M. Douglas
Holly,	Ralph H. Barbour
Havoc,	E. Phillips Openheim
Her Husband,	Julia Magruder
High Bradford,	Mary R. Bangs

## I.

Initials Only,	Anna K. Green
In Wild Rose Time,	Amanda M. Douglas

## J.

Just Patty,	Gene Webster
Joyce of the Jasnines,	Ralph H. Barbour

## K.

Keeping up With Lizzie, Irving Bacheller

## M.

Mary Ware, Annie F. Johnstone  
Mara, Mrs. G. P. Alden  
Mildred's Inheritance, Annie F. Johnstone

## P.

Peggy, Laura E. Richards  
Polly of the Hospital Staff, Emma C. Dowd

## R.

Rose of Old Harpeth, Maria E. Daviess  
Riders of the Purple Sage, Zane Gray

## S.

Sabina, Helen R. Martin  
Sally Bluebonnet, W. Rockwood Converse  
Satan Sanderson, Hallie E. Rives

## T.

The Guest of Hercules, C. N. & A. M. Williamson  
The Long Roll, Mary Johnson  
The Common Law, Robert W. Chambers  
The Redemption of Kenneth Galt, Will N. Harben  
The Amazing Adventures of Letitia Carberry,  
Mary E. Rineheart

To M. L. G. or He Who Passed

The Master Mummer, E. Phillips Oppenheim  
The Sick-a-bed Lady, Eleanor H. Abbott  
The Mountain Girl, Payne Erskine  
The Farmer Boy Who Became a Bishop, Anson R. Graves  
The Soldier from Virginia, Marjorie Bowen  
The Pony Rider Boys, Frank G. Patchin  
The Red Lane, Holman Day  
The Best of a Bad Job, Norman Duncan  
Their Yesterdays, Harold Bell Wright  
The Young Engineers, H. Irving Hancock

The Man in Lonely Land	Kate L. Boshier
The Hollow of Her Hand	Geo. B. McCutcheon
The Lady and Sada San	Frances Little
The Long Portage	Harold Bindloss
The Wind Before the Dawn	Dell H. Munger
The Rise of Roscoe Payne	Joseph C. Lincoln
The Net	Rex L. Beach
The Awakening of Helena Richie	Margaret Deland
The Iron Woman	Margaret Deland
The Sanctuary	Maud H. Peterson
The Lovers of Sanna	Mary R. Cutting
Through the Mill	Al Priddy
The Obvious Orient	Albert B. Hart
The Measure of a Man	Norman Duncan

## U.

Uncle Sam's Boys in the Ranks	H. Irving Hancock
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## W.

When the Gates Lift up their Heads	Payne Erskine
When Woman Proposes	Annie Warner
Where there is a Will	Mary Rineheart
When a Man Marries	Mary Rineheart

# REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD.

## Teachers.

Mar. 19.	Mrs. L. E. Marble, balance of 1912,	\$33 00
Apr. 3.	Mrs. L. E. Marble,	22 00
Apr. 11.	Mrs. L. E. Marble,	22 00
Apr. 11.	Bertha M. Chandler,	24 00
Apr. 11.	S. Ethel Yeaton,	60 00
Apr. 11.	Mabel L. Smith,	36 00
May 17.	Mrs. L. E. Marble,	44 00
May 17.	Bertha M. Chandler,	40 00
May 17.	S. Ethel Yeaton,	48 00
May 17.	Mabel L. Smith,	45 00
June 7.	S. Ethel Yeaton,	36 00
June 7.	Mrs. L. E. Marble,	22 00
June 7.	Mabel L. Smith,	27 00
June 12.	Bertha M. Chandler,	24 00
Sept. 26.	Mrs. L. E. Marble,	22 00
Oct. 8.	Bertha M. Chandler,	36 00
Oct. 8.	Emma L. Horrocks,	48 00
Oct. 8.	Mrs. L. E. Marble,	22 00
Oct. 8.	Mabel L. Smith,	36 00
Oct. 25.	Mrs. L. E. Marble,	22 00
Nov. 5.	Mrs. L. E. Marble,	22 00
Nov. 5.	Emma L. Horrocks,	48 00
Nov. 5.	Bertha M. Chandler,	36 00
Nov. 12.	Mabel L. Smith,	36 00
Nov. 21.	Mrs. L. E. Marble,	22 00
Dec. 4.	Emma L. Horrocks,	48 00
Dec. 4.	Bertha M. Chandler,	36 00
Dec. 16.	Mrs. L. E. Marble,	33 00

Dec. 16.	Mrs. L. E. Marble, for taking state teacher certificate, giv- ing state rebate,	31 00
Dec. 16.	Mabel L. Smith,	54 00
Dec. 16.	Bertha M. Chandler,	18 00
Dec. 16.	Emma L. Horrocks,	24 00
Jan. 15.	Mrs. L. E. Marble,	24 00
Feb. 5.	Mrs. L. E. Marble,	36 00
Feb. 5.	Emma L. Horrocks,	48 00
Feb. 5.	Mabel L. Smith,	36 00
Feb. 5.	Bertha M. Chandler,	36 00
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		\$1,257 00

### Music.

June 15.	Wm. E. Hartwell,	\$27 00
Dec. 21.	Wm. E. Hartwell,	30 00
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		\$57 00

### Miscellaneous.

Mar. 29.	Mrs. Crowning, cleaning school house,	\$3 25
Apr. 20.	Charles Thompson, janitor, cut- ting and splitting wood,	6 50
Apr. 27.	A. C. Akeley, carrying children,	32 50
Apr. 29.	Harry J. Noyes, cutting and care of wood,	5 75
May 6.	R. E. Lane, order books,	3 64
May 25.	A. C. Akeley, carrying children,	18 75
June 17.	Oval & Koster, diplomas,	9 90
June 17.	Engraving 5 diplomas,	1 25
June 17.	Hildreth & Rogers Co., programs,	3 50
June 29.	Alvin L. Whittaker, janitor and incidentals,	4 69

July 6.	Salem District Tuition for Ruth Conley,	25 00
July 22.	Charles Thompson, janitor work,	5 00
July 22.	Wm. R. Brickett, sawing and splitting wood,	1 50
July 22.	Albert Little, $4\frac{1}{8}$ cords of wood,	20 60
Oct. 28.	H. N. Sawyer, 1 dozen chloride of lime, 1 lock, 2 thermometers	2 00
Nov. 5.	N. G. Wheeler, printing forms,	4 60
Nov. 5.	Edw. E. Babb & Co.,	97
Nov. D.	J. Kelleher, wood,	3 00
Dec. 3.	Wm. R. Brickett, sawing and splitting wood,	2 50
Dec. 3.	Albert Little, $4\frac{3}{4}$ cords of wood,	23 75
Dec. 4.	E. L. Horrocks, broom and brush	75
Dec. 4.	Richard Heald, janitor work,	6 00
Feb. 5.	Rubber stamp, Lawrence Rubber Co.,	1 00
Feb. 8.	A. C. Akeley, carrying children,	31 25
Feb. 15.	John H. Smith, wood and labor on same,	11 50
Feb. 15.	Alvin Whittaker, janitor and work about the school house,	8 19
Feb. 15.	George A. Page, district treasurer,	8 00
Feb. 15.	J. Marin & Co., coal,	19 50
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		\$264 84

## Repairs.

Sept. 16.	O. L. Whittaker,	41 44
Oct. 28.	Taylor Goodwin Co.,	45 05
Feb. 15.	John K. Mason,	2 00
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		\$88 49

**Tuitions in Academy.**

May	9.	E. E. Sawyer,	\$150 00
Feb.	5.	E. E. Sawyer,	300 00
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			\$450 00

**Books and Supplies.**

May	22.	Ginn & Co.,	\$5 37
May	22.	Edward E. Babb & Co.,	7 85
May	22.	Houghton Mifflin Co.,	2 64
Jan.	7.	J. E. Wignot, stationery,	62
Nov.	5.	Silver Burdett & Co.,	3 45
Jan.	6.	Howard L. Winslow, as per bill,	1 05
Feb.	5.	Edward E. Babb & Co.,	34 12
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			\$55 10

**Superintendent.**

Mar.	29.	J. E. Wignot,	\$54 00
Apr.	11.	J. E. Wignot,	27 00
May	17.	J. E. Wignot,	27 00
June	17.	J. E. Wignot,	27 00
June	24.	J. E. Wignot,	27 00
Aug.	14.	J. E. Wignot,	27 00
Sept.	16.	Howard L. Winslow,	27 00
Oct.	9.	Howard L. Winslow,	27 00
Nov.	6.	Howard L. Winslow,	27 00
Dec.	4.	Howard L. Winslow,	27 00
Jan.	6.	Howard L. Winslow,	27 00
Feb.	15.	Howard L. Winslow,	27 00
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			\$351 00



**ATKINSON FISCAL YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1913.**

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**Revenue.**

Amount of money required by law,	\$720 00
Additional voted by district meeting,	780 00
Assessed by selectmen by estimate of school board:	
Books and supplies,	\$100 00
Flags and appurtenances,	10 00
Tuition in Academy,	480 00
Voted to raise for repairs,	125 00
Treasurer,	8 00
Balance of dog tax, 1911,	111 60
Literary fund,	65 28
Sect. 2. Allowance for average attendance of pupils,	93 00
Sect. 3. Allowance for approved teachers,	124 00
Sect. 4. Allowance for rebate on High school tuition,	147 00
Sect. 4. Half salary of superintendent,	162 00
Balance from 1912,	6 32
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	\$2,932 20

**Expenditures Fiscal Year Ending Feb. 15, 1913.**

Teachers,	\$1,257 00
Miscellaneous,	264 84
Tuitions in Academy,	450 00
Books and supplies,	55 10
Superintendent,	351 00
Musie,	57 00
Repairs,	88 49
Balance unexpended,	408 77
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	\$2,932 20

## SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT.

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The Treasurer charges himself with:

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1912,	\$6 32	
Received from town treasurer		
amount of school money tax		
by law,	720 00	
Tax by vote,	780 00	
Tuition in Academy,	480 00	
Supplies,	100 00	
Repairs,	125 00	
Flags, etc.,	10 00	
Treasurer's salary,	8 00	
Literary fund,	65 28	
Proportion of school fund,	526 00	
Balance of dog licenses, 1911,	111 60	
	<hr style="width: 10%; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"/>	\$2,932 20

He credits himself as follows:

Paid school orders,	\$2,523 43	
Balance in hands of treasurer,	408 77	
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GEORGE A. PAGE, School Treasurer.

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Atkinson, N. H., Feb. 26, 1913.

The Auditor has examined and audited the report of the Treasurer of the School Board and finds his report to be correctly compiled and all payments properly vouched for.

GEORGE A. SAWYER, Auditor.

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

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To the School Board and Citizens of Atkinson:

I have the honor to present my first report as superintendent of your schools. Since my term of office has been short my report will be brief. Appended are the usual tables of vital statistics and the roll of honor. Necessarily the tables are compiled from the records of the former superintendent. I respectfully call your attention to these tables and especially to the report of the music supervisor, as I believe that we are receiving an adequate return for the money and effort spent in this direction.

I found all but one of the schools in the hands of teachers who had previously been in the same positions. This fact was of great value to a new superintendent. In some of the schools the upper grades are not up to the standard laid down by the State program of studies. This should not be regarded as an adverse criticism upon the character of the teaching in the past or to a past administration, especially as the lower grades are as a rule well up to the standard. The explanation for any lagging behind is the fact that the standard set by the State program supposes eight years of 36 weeks each. This district has never maintained an approximate to that length of year, but this year 34 weeks will enable us to approach nearer than ever before to the State requirement. The extra two weeks are largely the result of an increase in the amount of money received from the State.

The attendance for the 14 weeks of the fall term was the highest ever recorded for the same term approximating 97 per cent.

No new departure has been made in the conduct of

your schools. The weekly reports required from the teachers by the former superintendent have been kept up, with equally good results. A card book record, in the hands or pocket of the superintendent has enabled him to keep close track of books actually in use. Only one new text book has been introduced, a geography for the upper grades at the Center school. One teachers' meeting has been attempted but inclement weather prevented a full attendance. The superintendent has conducted his work of instruction and suggestion largely from the field, as the number of his visits will indicate. The superintendent has been loyally supported in his work by the school board and teachers, and if any advancement has been made it can be attributed to faithful work, for no matter how efficient other officials may be, good schools can only result from good teaching.

I want to thank the public for their indulgence and respectfully urge all interested to visit our schools. It has been observed that the critics of the schools and appropriations therefor, seldom enter a school-room in session. We invite your thoughtful criticism and try to be ever mindful that we are conducting public schools for the common education of all.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD L. WINSLOW, Supt.

## ROLL OF HONOR FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR, SEPT., 1911, TO JUNE, 1912.

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\*The following pupils have been neither absent nor tardy:

### For the Year.

Beatrice Bridges, Wallace E. Card, Stella Champeaux,  
Grace E. Cole, Doris L. Freeman, Jesse Fuller,  
Thelma Fuller, Arthur F. Haynes, Daisy M. Lucy,  
Gladys M. Lucy, Adin E. Poor, Bernice E. Poor,  
Eleanor I. Pressey.

### For Two Terms.

Beatrice Alby, Ellen Alby, Ruth E. Cole, Charlie A. Cole,  
Richard Heald, Marjorie Thompson, Annie H. Wood.

### For One Term.

Bernice Barnum, Harold E. Brickett, Lorren D. Bridges,  
Blanche M. Cole, Mildred C. Cole, Dorothy M. Foote,  
Walter E. Kimball, Howard E. Poor, Milton Pressey,  
Elgin E. Reynolds, Dorothy Thompson, Stephen  
Wheeler, Kathleen G. Wood.

\*Owing to an oversight the roll of honor was not properly distributed last spring, but the present superintendent will see that the pupils, perfect in attendance for the year as listed above, are given the proper testimonials.

### Summary of the Roll of Honor by Schools.

	Year	Two Terms	One Term
Number Two,	2	0	4
Number Three,	3	4	1
Number Four,	7	3	6
Number Five,	1	0	2

### VITAL STATISTICS FOR LAST FIVE YEARS.

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School Year (Sept. to June)	1912	1911	1910	1909	1908
Total enrollment, .....	77	74	78	78	79
Boys, .....	30	28	36	30	38
Girls, .....	47	46	42	48	41
Average attendance in all schools together, .....	59	57	59	60	57
Average absence in all schools together, .....	4	4	5	4	7
Average membership in all schools together, .....	63	61	64	64	64
Percent of attendance in all schools together, .....	94	94	92	94	89
Number of pupils not absent or tardy, .....	4	5	8	8	6
Number of pupils attending the Academy, .....	19	27	17	17	16
Average length of the year in weeks, .....	31	30.68	32½	33 3-5	32 2-5
Number of different regular teachers employed, .....	4	5	5	8	5
Average salary of teachers per month, .....	\$40.00	40.80	37.60	34.95	35.28
Number of certificated and normal school graduates, .	1	1	2	1	0

# **PROMOTION, RETARDATION, AND LOSS.**

<i>Grade .....</i>	<i>I</i>	<i>II</i>	<i>III</i>	<i>IV</i>	<i>V</i>	<i>VI</i>	<i>VII</i>	<i>VIII</i>
Number of pupils promoted to next grade during or at the end of school year, .....11	5	9	7	9	11	3	5	
Number of pupils in grade at the end of year not promoted, . 4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Number of pupils in grade at the end of year who have been there two years, ... 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of pupils in grade at the end of year who have been there three years, .. 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of pupils in grade at the end of year who have been there more than three years, ..... 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of pupils who have left school and whose school life has presumably ended during year, ..... 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Average age of class at the beginning of school year, ..... 6	8-4	8-3	9-5	9-6	10-5	11	13-4	

# **STATISTICAL TABLE FROM FEB. 15, 1912 TO FEB. 15, 1913.**

## Schools

Teachers	Bertha M. Chandler			Bertha M. Chandler			Bertha M. Chandler			S. Ethel Yeaton			Emma L. Horrocks			Emma L. Horrocks			Mrs. L. E. Marble			Mrs. L. E. Marble			Mrs. L. E. Marble			Mabel L. Smith			Mabel L. Smith			Mabel L. Smith			
	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter				
Weeks, . . . . .	12	14	6	11	3-5	14	6	12	13	6	12	14	6	12	13	6	12	14	6	12	13	6	12	14	6	12	13	6	12	14	6	12	13	6			
Pupils, . . . . .	16	21	17	18	18	18	18	14	13	12	16	10	9	18	18	14	13	12	16	10	9	18	18	14	13	12	16	10	9	18	18	14	13	12	16	10	9
Boys, . . . . .	6	10	7	6	8	8	4	4	3	7	5	5	8	8	4	4	3	7	5	5	8	8	4	4	3	7	5	5	8	8	4	4	3	7	5	5	
Girls, . . . . .	10	11	10	12	10	10	10	9	9	9	5	4	10	10	10	9	9	9	5	4	10	10	10	9	9	9	5	4	10	10	10	9	9	9	5	4	
Av. Attend., 14	20	14	15	14	16	14	13	12	14	10	9	14	16	14	13	12	14	10	9	14	16	14	13	12	14	10	9	14	16	14	13	12	14	10	9		
Av. Absence, 1	1	3	1	1	1	1	.3	.1	.5	1	.1	.1	1	1	.3	.1	.5	1	.1	.1	1	1	.3	.1	.5	1	.1	.1	1	1	.3	.1	.5	1	.1	.1	
Av. Mem's'p, 15	21	17	17	15	17	14	13	12	16	10	9	15	17	14	13	12	16	10	9	15	17	14	13	12	16	10	9	15	17	14	13	12	16	10	9		
P. C. Attend., 94	97	84	92	94	92	98	99	96	91	98	99	94	92	98	99	96	91	98	99	94	92	98	99	96	91	98	99	94	92	98	99	96	91	98	99		
Tardiness, . . 1	5	0	3	5	13	0	3	1	10	9	3	5	13	0	3	1	10	9	3	5	13	0	3	1	10	9	3	5	13	0	3	1	10	9	3		
Visits Supt., 8	12	4	11	14	6	6	9	5	8	8	4	8	12	4	11	14	6	6	9	5	8	8	4	8	12	4	11	14	6	6	9	5	8	8	4		
Visits Com., 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Visits O'h's, 10	9	0	0	1	0	5	5	0	8	17	3	1	0	5	5	0	8	17	3	1	0	5	5	0	8	17	3	1	0	5	5	0	8	17	3		
Not Abs., T'y., 2	5	2	6	1	3	9	5	6	2	3	6	1	3	9	5	6	2	3	6	1	3	9	5	6	2	3	6	1	3	9	5	6	2	3	6		
Wages, Mon., 32	36	36	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48

\*Holds State Certificate.

\*\*Normal School Graduate.



## REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC.

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To Superintendent Winslow and School Board of Atkinson, N. H.:

Your supervisor offers a brief report of the work accomplished in the study of music by the schools of Atkinson during the past year, and a word in regard to what we hope for in the future.

The subject has been presented this season practically along the same lines as was started two years ago, and, I am pleased to report that the pupils have steadily developed in all directions of musical training. The special study has been that of rhythm by the use of the French time-language, and the pupils are becoming quite proficient in the art of beating time, which they seem to enjoy.

In addition to the rhythmic work, the pupils above the third grade in the several schools are required to tell the story of all the keys, read and sing exercises and songs individually, which, in most cases, is highly satisfactory, and, in some instances quite wonderful. What is it to know the story of a key? Take, for instance, the key of F; The pupils will tell you that such an exercise is written in the key of F, because it has one flat, placed on the third line of the staff, which is B; and that F, or do, is found in the first space and on the fifth line—really, quite a musical education in itself, when it is considered that each one is required to tell practically all of the keys in like manner. The pupils have shown marked improvement this year in singing, and future years ought to be much more fruitful, if present methods are rigidly carried on.

Some of the schools will need more advanced books and material next year if the present ambition and interest in musical study continues.

Permission is asked to add a few words in regard to my work at the Academy, which I visit weekly in connection with the town schools. Quite a good deal of time has been used thus far this season in the technical study of music, to the end that more enthusiasm and interest may be created through added knowledge and ability. The work of the boys shows improvement over last season, while the voices of several of the girls are greatly missed, through graduation and removal. The attitude of the faculty at the Academy is more favorable to success this year, and I hope for better conditions in the future.

My thanks are due to the teachers for very excellent work in co-operation; to pupils for added interest and courteous treatment, and to the superintendent and school board for needed supplies and assistance.

Respectfully,

W. E. HARTWELL,

Supervisor of Music.

Haverhill, Mass., Feb. 17, 1913.

### STANDING OF EACH DEPARTMENT.

Raised for books and supplies,	\$100 00
Expended,	55 10
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Balance unexpended,	\$44 90
Raised for repairs,	\$125 00
Expended,	88 49
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Balance unexpended,	\$36 51
Raised for tuitions in Academy,	\$480 00
Received from State,	147 00
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	\$627 00
Expended,	450 00
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Balance unexpended,	\$177 00
Raised for flags and appurtenances,	\$10 00
No expenditure.	
We have cash on hand for 1913:	
Books and supplies,	\$44 90
Repairs,	36 51
Tuitions in Academy,	117 00
Flags and appurtenances,	10 00
For school purposes,	200 36
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	\$408 77

It will take most of the money for school purposes to pay the teachers now teaching.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT N. SAWYER,  
HAROLD N. CROSS,  
CHARLES I. PRESSEY,

School Board.

# BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF ATKINSON FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1912.

Date and Place of Birth	Name of Child (if any)	Sex & Condition		Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Res. of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother		
		Male or Female	Liv. or Stillb'n								
			No. of Child	Color							
Jan. 4.	Atkinson Marion G.	Freeman	F	L	4	W	George B. Freeman	Nellie A. Welch	Atkinson	Farmer	Haverhill
Feb. 23.	Atkinson ———	Mason	F	S	7	W	Carlyle Mason	Susie Bickford	Atkinson	Carpenter	Brownfield
June 28.	Atkinson Walter R.	Nye	M	L	3	W	Eblin W. Nye	Gertrude Dunn	Atkinson	Farmer	Boston

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

GEORGE A. PAGE, Town Clerk.

# MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF ATKINSON FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1912.

Date of Marriage 1912	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Res. of each at time of Mar.	Age of each in yrs.	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of birth of each	Names of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Condition: whether single or wid. what marriage, 1st, 2nd, &c.	Name, Res. and Official Station of person by whom married
Nov. 7	Atkinson	Herman E. Rollins	Atkinson	34	Farmer	Chester	George F. Rollins Matilda E. Lane	Epping, N. H. Chester, N. H.	Single 1st	Rev. R. Albert Goodwin 1st Atkinson, Clergyman
Nov. 7		Winifred A. Ireland	Atkinson	35	Shop	Somerville	Edwin Ireland Martha E. Ireland	Somerville, Mass. Somerville, Mass.	Single 1st	GEORGE A. PAGE, Town Clerk.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

# DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF ATKINSON FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1912.

Date of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Place of Birth			Occupation	Place of Birth		Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Disease or Cause of Death		
		Age	Place of Birth			Sex						
			Years	Months			Days					
1912												
Jan. 8	Caroline G. Knight	87	8	14	Salen	F	Housewife	Atkinson	Atkinson	William Johnson	Myra Richards	Hemorrhage of Brain
Feb. 23	— — — Mason	0	0	0	Atkinson	F		Atkinson	Brownfield	Carlisle Mason	Susie Bickford	Apoplexy
Mar. 14	Ann W. Gilbert	80	10	6	Weirs	F		Boston	Gilford	James Wilcomb	Nancy Hunt	Arterioscleroses
Mar. 14	Cyrus F. Noyes	68	27	11	Hampstead	M	Farmer	W. Newbury		Parker Noyes	Dorcas McCoy	Organic Disease, Heart
Apr. 2	John K. Moore	82	7	27	Pembroke	M	Retired	Pembroke	Dracut	Herbert Moore	Sally Hall	Causa I uerale Gland
Dec. 18	Samuel Arthur Steele	57	10	24	Exeter	M		Haverhill	Atkinson	Benjamin H. Steele	Ann R. Bassett	

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief. GEORGE A. PAGE, Town Clerk.











